

REMARKS

Claims 1-28 and 32-39 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, allowed claim 36 is amended. No new matter is added. Reconsideration in view of the above amendments and the following remarks is respectfully requested.

The courtesies extended to Applicant's representative by Examiner Sherman during the telephone interview held October 2, 2006, are appreciated. The reasons presented during the interview as warranting favorable action are incorporated into the remarks below and constitute Applicant's record of the interview.

Applicant also greatly appreciates that the Notice of Allowance indicates that claims 1-28 and 32-39 are allowed.

Entry of the amendment is proper under 37 CFR §1.116 since the amendment: (a) does not raise any new issue requiring further search and/or consideration (as the amendments amplify issues previously discussed throughout prosecution); and (b) satisfies a requirement of form asserted during the October 2, 2006 telephone interview with Examiner Sherman. The amendment is necessary and was not earlier presented because it is made in response to a request made by Examiner Sherman during the October 2, 2006 telephone interview. Entry of the amendment is thus respectfully requested.

Allowed claim 36 is amended to correct an informality.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of claims 1-28 and 32-39 are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,



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